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Bobbitt Dissects Ewell.

(To the Editor Interior Journal.)
CHAR ORCHARD, July 25.—R. L. Ewell, of London, and F. E. Bobbitt discussed the new constitution at this place to-day. Mr. Ewell is not one of the number challenged by the Clergy of the Mountains, nor does Bobbitt consider Ewell his peer. "But no man can invade my home dominion and I not draw my weapon of defence," said Bobbitt.

Quite a crowd was out to hear them, two-thirds of whom were republicans who had come out to hear the man who had twice been their standard bearer for Congress in the eighth district. Mr. Ewell made a pretty little speech and when he touched the clause on slavery he grew eloquent and his appeal to the colored brethren was touching, telling them that the present constitution could again make them wear the chains of slavery. But the applause was noted for its silence.

He spoke 1½ hours, when Bobbitt came forward. Now in the past we have never been a Bobbitt man, but to do him justice he completely shook us under all his opponent had said and showed the new constitution to be the most ridiculous and damnable article ever penned by man. He was applauded by friend and foe. As a man posted on the new constitution we rank Bobbitt next to John Rhea. We are satisfied that Mr. Ewell will never dare meet Bobbitt on this subject for not only is he more than a match for Laurel's gifted son, but he has the subject.

As Mr. Ewell is a Christian preacher he will preach in this place to-morrow. Now we agree with Bro. Ewell on his religion and think that should this new constitution and his politics claim him, if he will stick to the Campbellite doctrine there is a chance for his soul.

In Memory of Willie Johnston.

Willie B. Johnston, son of David S. Johnston and Mrs. Mollier E. Johnston, died at his home in Lincoln Co., Ky., on July 22, 1891, aged eighteen years three months and eight days. The intellectual and moral attainments of Willie B. Johnston were such as to entitle his name to an enduring record upon the sacred tablets of all hearts that knew him. This paper is not intended as a pronouned elegy to his memory, but rather as the truthful statement of the essential factors that were the formative forces in moulding a character that challenges our admiration.

First, he was trained by Christian parents in the way he should go. His associations were pure and kept pure. He was raised up under the influence of the Sunday school and the church. At the age of fourteen he made profession of his faith in the Savior, and became a member of the Christian church at Hustonville, Ky., and filled efficiently the office of secretary of the Sunday school until his death. In the meantime he had received a first-class business education under the tutition of President M. G. Thompson, of the Christian College, Hustonville, Ky., and had accepted business as clerk in the Hustonville National Bank. While discharging the duties of this position, he was taken suddenly ill with a gripe on March 28, 1891.

During the progress of the disease, his lungs became seriously involved, when it soon became apparent that no human hand could long resist its fearful advances or long delay the fatal crisis. Becoming assured that his life on earth must soon be closed, he gave every assurance of a readiness to depart, and expressed the greatest concern for his parents and for his brothers and sisters and for his grandmother Cloyd, who so faithfully had ministered to his comfort, that they all would meet him in the better land. He also requested the writer to deliver a farewell message to his Sunday School, earnestly beseeching all of them to meet him in heaven. July 23, at 10:30 A. M., his body was conveyed to the Christian church in a very neat casket, accompanied by six young gentlemen friends as pall-bearers, and a large assembly of neighbors and friends. After a short discourse based upon 2nd Samuel 12:22-23, and other appropriate services, the body was conveyed to the cemetery and there gently laid down to rest. After having been interred, the grave was soon covered by a thick spread of beautiful flowers, as symbols of the love of the living for the dear name and memory of the departed. He leaves behind a character without fault. His young life was an honor to his father and mother, to his family, to his God, to his community, to his church and to his God.

"But 'tis God who hath bereft us.
He can all our sorrows heal."

W. L. WILLIAMS.

An earthquake shook up Evansville, Ind., Sunday night, but did no further damage than to scare many people into fits.

Now Try This

It will cost you nothing and will surely do you good if you have a cough, cold or any trouble with your throat, chest or lungs. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to give relief or money will be paid back. Sufferers from La Grippe, for it just the thing to cure it quickly and perfect recovery. Try a sample bottle at our expense and learn for yourself just how good a thing it is. Trial bottles free at A. R. Penny's drug store. Large size 50 cents and \$1.

CHURCH AFFAIRS.

—Hon. M. J. Durbin will erect a memorial window to his grandfather in the new Methodist church, Danville, says the Advocate.

—Rev. George Hunt will preach his farewell sermon at the Baptist church next Sunday, to the sincere regret of many friends and admirers.

—In the past century Protestants have increased from 37,000,000 to 15,000,000, nearly four-fold. Romanists from 80,000,000 to 103,000,000, or two-fold.

—The Rev. Henry E. Sutherland, of the M. E. church of Hazelton, Pa., has been convicted in the United States Court, at Erie, of sending obscene matter through the mails.

The meeting at the Methodist church closed Saturday night after a very pleasant and profitable continuance of a week. There were no additions. Mr. Collier would have continued the meeting but for his inability to secure help.

—Rev. John Q. Paxton, the famous New York Presbyterian divine, in an interview in Pittsburgh said that the Presbyterian church is on the brink of a revolution, but we suppose Bre'r Paxton is more after getting advertised than telling the truth.

—The Baptist church of this city, has called Rev. B. A. Dawes, of Mercer county, to the pastoral charge of the church, to begin September 1. In the meantime the church is to be re-freezeed and a new carpet put down in time to receive the new pastor.—Carlisle Mercury.

—It is said that several people in Boone saw the image of Christ in the Church of St. Jacob open its eyes. They told their friends of the miracle, and soon afterward crowds of people went to the church to see the image. One of the cardinals is making a careful investigation.

—Rev. Frederick Euerst, whose numerous demonstrations toward one of the sisters at Bellevue, Ky., was met with by a shawl pin which she stuck to its head in his ears, and who was afterwards indicted for criminal assault, has jumped his bond and skipped for parts unknown.

—THE INTERIOR JOURNAL Job Printing department is getting out a full report of the last meeting of the Kentucky Conference Woman's Missionary Society for Mrs. S. C. Trueheart, secretary. The treasurer's report shows that these good women raised last year \$3,000.71 for the support of their own missionaries in foreign fields. The Stanford auxiliary contributed \$51.41.

—The organ has broken up another Campbellite (Christian does not apply in this case,) church. This time it is at Paducah. During last winter, the ladies of the church raised quite a sum of money by frequent suppers and other catch-penny devices. There were two uses to which the money could be put, repairing the church and buying an organ. Eld. J. C. Tilley, a real estate agent, who is also a preacher, championed the repair proposition, and Eld. L. H. Sine insisted on the purchase of an organ. The latter carried his point and a \$3,000 organ was bought and a \$600 a year man employed to play it. The result was that the church was split wide open. The row culminated at last in an altercation in church between the two preachers, when Tilley is alleged to have drawn his knife and threatened to go for the intestines of Stine. Last week the matter was brought to the attention of the grand jury, when Tilley was indicted for disturbing public worship. Meanwhile the trouble grows in intensity and outsiders are looking on with loathing horror at the final outcome.

—By careful experiments made at the U. S. mint it has been shown that \$5 are lost by abrasion every time \$1,000,000 in gold coin are handled. The experiments were conducted with bags containing \$5,000 each, and it was shown that the mere lifting of the two hundred bags making up \$1,000,000 to a truck to be removed to another vault, resulted in the loss stated, and that their transfer from the truck again made a second similar loss.

—A GREAT RACE.—The second day of the Danville Fair this year will see the greatest trotting race in the history of the Blue Grass Circuit, and it will be a long time until as many good ones are seen there in one race. This will be in the 22 class, in which have been entered Bonnie Wilmore 2:22, Lizzie Mae 2:22, Nellie W. 2:21, Ready Boy 2:21, Walter Herr 2:21, and Sallie B. 2:23. These horses are all well-known campaigners and the race will be hotly contested.

—THE RULING PASSION.—Hockstein—I vos tired of life. Give me some poison, and so I'll kill meinself. Drug clerk (jocularly)—All right. What do you want—arsenic or strichnine? Hockstein—Vieh vos der sheapest?—N. Y. Herald.

—Paris green is the standard remedy for potato bugs, and when thoroughly tried is always effective. A desert spoonful of the poison to a bucket of water is enough.

MT. SALEM.

—The people are brightened up at this place considerably since the good rains and are strictly opposed to the new constitution.

—Farmers are making hay now while the sun shines, but the meadows are very poor this year except in some of the river bottoms.

—We received a brief call from Sam Menden recently. He seems to be a minister and is what might be called a "chip of the old block."

—George Wilcher killed a large rattle snake last week, not however until it had bitten his favorite coon dog, which when last heard from was in a critical condition.

—We had a quiet wed huz at Mr. Estes' last Thursday at 4 o'clock P. M. His daughter, Miss Annie Estes, and Mr. Ebenezer Smith were united in matrimony by Rev. Long.

—We regret very much that your able reporter, Mr. E. Tarrant, has left us, but that clever old soldier can sing the glad where other men can't, and we are glad to note his lengthy and interesting items from any point he may visit even though he should some day wander off into the unman's land.

—Mr. Daniel Lucas, of whom we wrote in our last, still remains in hard luck. A few years ago G. W. Estes found a bee tree in his woodland, but live money nor honey could not induce him to have it cut, but some parties came in the dead hours of the night and cut the tree. He has since found a bucket lid which he thinks a good clew, also a portion of the leg of a pair of pants which indicates the hasty departure of the thieves.

FARM AND TRADE ITEMS.

—For SALE.—44 good ewes. W. M. McFee, Stanford.

—I have 40 nice ewes for sale. M. O. Vandever, Rowland.

—For SALE.—A high grade Jersey cow and her calf. A No. 1 milker. J. G. Carpenter.

—For SALE.—One Alderney cow, one Jersey and a scrub, all good milkers. Mrs. C. B. St. Clair.

—The Paris News says M. Kahn shipped 15 cars of fat cattle from there last Thursday which cost him \$3.

—Ben Robinson bought of various East End parties a car-load of fat 2 and 3-year old cattle at \$1 to \$1 cents.

—Pence, owned by A. M. Pence, lowered his record to 2:27 at the Richmond fair by winning a heat in that time.

—R. O. Cromwell, of Union county, raised 84 bushels of wheat on two acres, and his crop of 38 acres averaged 25 bushels.

—The Mt. Sterling Sentinel-Democrat reports sales of 96 cattle at \$1 for August delivery and 5 to 5 for September and 73 present delivery at 5 to 5.

—The wheat crop of Russia is 60,000,000 bushels short, and the rye crop is 300,000,000 bushels short. The French wheat crop is also short 100,000,000 bushels.

—The press bureau of the farmers' alliance at Washington is at present very busy sending out circulars to farmers advising them to hold back the wheat crop for higher prices.

—E. W. Jones, real estate agent at Pineville, sold for Mr. George A. Peyton his farm of 50 acres, near the Somerset pike, for \$1,800 to Mr. Archibald Green, who will move to it.

—When is coming in to Lancaster rather slowly. The price continues steady at 75¢ for a No. 1 article. Hemp commands \$1.50. Nothing doing in other lines of trade.—Lancaster Record.

—The best American beeswax are worth 14 cents in the London market to-day. At this time last year 12¢ was the outside quotation. Such cattle as are now moved in the Chicago market at 6 to 8 were quoted at 4:5 to 5 one year ago.

—James George made sales of about 30 head of mountain cattle at 2 to 3¢. He sold to C. M. Jenkins, of Garrard county, 150 mountain ewes at \$3.60 per head. W. J. Davidson sold to George Marrington 30 acres of land on Pitman Creek for \$250.—Somerset Reporter.

—The Taylor County fair will be held Aug. 11-14, at Campbellsville. The company has one of the best half mile tracks in the State and some of the best trotters are entered. A saddle stallion ring with \$200 premium, entries to close Aug. 12, is one of the big features. Mr. H. S. Robinson, the secretary, writes that everything indicates a large and successful exhibition.

—W. C. Gentry bought Wednesday of George Dunn 30 head of feeders, about 1,350 pounds, at a fraction over 4 cents. J. C. Caldwell bought of W. T. Robinson two car-loads of fat cattle, averaging about 1,500 pounds, at 4:35 to 5. D. N. Prewitt bought of J. W. Harlan 91 stock ewes at \$1.50 per head. Cogar, Haas & Co., of this city, have bought about 4,000 bushels of wheat this week for 75 cents. Richard Gentry bought of Enbanks & Bro., Hubble, for Lehman, 10 head export cattle of 1,500 pounds average, at 5:20. He also bought four car-loads of 1,825 pound export cattle in Fayette.—Advocate.

BARBOURVILLE, KNOX COUNTY.

—Hon. John H. Wilson, Judge Tinsley and others spoke at the court-house here yesterday in opposition to the new constitution.

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—Miss Minnie Elliott, of Kirksville, is visiting Miss Nannie Anderson. Miss Roberta Clifton, of Lexington, is with the family of Maj. S. B. Dishman. Miss Annie Lee Dishman is home from a visit to friends in Pineville.

—David W. Colson, of Middlesboro, and Col. Clark, of this city, discussed the constitution at Manchester, Clay county, yesterday (Monday). Col. Clark, Mr. Colson, Chas. W. Schively and the writer left for that point Sunday afternoon.

—The Hon. John H. Wilson returned Friday morning from a trip down through Clinton, Wayne, Russell and Adair counties, where he has been speaking in the interest of the Republican State ticket and in opposition to the proposed constitution.

—The writer had the pleasure of attending a discussion of the constitution pro and con, Thursday, at Callahan's School House, five miles from town, on Rockland Creek, between Judge Tinsley and Col. A. H. Clark in opposition and Smith Hayes for it. There were about 125 voters out and two of them said they would vote for the new, the others for the old constitution.

—Hon. John Young Brown addressed the citizens of Barbourville and Knox county at the court-house, last Thursday. The house was crowded to its utmost capacity. Mr. Brown made a masterly effort and the democrats of this section say they never heard like before. Hon. James B. Black, of this city, introduced Mr. Brown in a few well-chosen and well-delivered sentences. Mr. Brown and party left that evening for "Ely Dale," the home of Maj. G. P. Ely and his good wife, eight miles south of this place on the L. & N. railroad, where he remained from Thursday evening until Saturday morning, when the party left for Middlesboro, where Mr. Brown spoke that day.

COOK'S SPRINGS.

—The grandest picnic and banquet of the season will be given Saturday, Aug. 1. Among the many attractions will be a splendid dinner and supper, two bands of music, base ball playing, speaking, boating, and Professor Runyon, a very fine violinist, will have charge of the ball-room. Will have a strong police force on the grounds and the best of order will be preserved. Everybody invited.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassell, Wis., was troubled with neuralgia and rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, and his eyesight was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a severe sore on the side of his right eye, and seven boxes of Buckle's Arnica Salve and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, Ohio, had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Buckle's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold at A. R. Penny's drug store.

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Taxation Under the New Constitution.

It has been frequently pointed out that Sec. 170 of the new constitution necessarily subjects to taxation \$10 millions worth of the milch cows, household furniture and farming implements of the people, which are now by law exempt from taxation, that it reduces the poor man's exemptions from \$50 as they now stand to \$250, in any event, and to nothing if the legislature should deem it proper. This just and grave objection to the new instrument has never to our knowledge been fairly or candidly met. That its effect will be as stated any one capable of understanding plain English is bound to see, that this was intended to be its effect, that the deliberate purpose of the convention was to cut down the property exempt from taxation and prevent any future legislature from exempting more than \$250 worth, is clearly apparent from the debates on this section. They held then that the legislature had exempted too much of this class of property from taxation, and that this was a wrong which needed correction. Now, they are either as dumb as oysters on the subject, or attempt to evade and dodge it. We have before us a marked copy of the Morganfield Sun, which contains an elaborate article from the pen of the Hon. L. A. Spalding, in defense of this feature of the new constitution. Preeminently it is the best argument which can be made, inasmuch as it is the only one we have seen, and its author was a leading member of the convention and is a man of character and ability. Let's examine his defense a moment and see if any sane taxpayer can be deluded by it.

"The Hewitt law exempts \$250 worth of each of these descriptions of property to every housekeeper, together with other exemptions amounting in all to about \$850. Do the housekeepers all get the benefit of these exemptions? Those who own the specific property exempted do get the benefit. But how many housekeepers possess that much? If they do not own the property the exemption does them no good, and its removal does them no harm. The removal of the exemption will not subject any property to taxation which they do not own."

How is it under the new constitution? By its provisions \$250 worth of personalty is exempted, and if a man has not that much household property he can add a horse or wagon or any other personal property to make up the \$250. A great many men own \$50 of all kinds of personalty who do not own \$50 worth of furniture or farm machinery, and all such persons will get the full benefit of the constitutional exemption."

Now every one understands that under the present constitution the power of the people through the legislature to exempt any and all kinds of property from taxation is absolutely unlimited. The new constitution in Section 170 places this restriction on this power of all future legislatures: "PROVIDED not more in value of household goods and other personal property, of a person with a family, than \$250 shall be exempted from taxation." Does this exempt \$250 worth of property from taxation? Does it exempt one cent's worth from taxation? Most assuredly not. It simply prohibits the legislature from exempting more than \$250 worth from taxation, and only inferentially permits it to exempt up to that amount. It is not an exemption but a restriction of exemption. It is a mere *brotan falmen* in any aspect until the legislative acts, and when it does act it must declare specifically, as in the present law, for exemptions cannot be made in general terms, what kinds of personal property, and what amounts of them shall be exempt, the aggregate not to exceed \$250. The legislature to distribute the benefit of the exemption as equally as possible will be compelled, for instance, to exempt only \$50 worth of furniture instead of \$250 as now, \$50 worth of farming implements instead of \$250 now, and so on through the scale. This meaning, this effect of the section in question, is so plain, so clear, so indisputable, as to make any argument about it other than the quotation of its language, a sheer impertinence. The dullest dunce who ever wore a foolscap couldn't be mistaken about it. And yet here we have a distinguished member of the convention, careful all the while not to quote the section, asserting that the new constitution has actually exempted \$250 worth of personal property, "and if a man has not that much household property he can add a horse or wagon or any other personal property to make up the \$250." By this extraordinary rule of construction, the new constitution, when it provides that private property shall be taken for public use only upon proper compensation, actually appropriates for public use all the private property in the State, and, again, when it says that the sessions of the legislature shall not be longer than 60 days it means that they must be that long even if the business is concluded in five minutes.

In this dishonesty, or is it only feeble-mindedness? Or, rather, isn't it the offspring of that complacent assumption, everywhere indulged by the constitution makers, that the people are blooming idiots?

Can any of our contemporaries give me any information about the Tar-Oid Co., Chicago?

It Don't Even Spare the Dead.

It seems that the new constitution, in its greed for revenue, is not content with increasing the taxes of the living but provides a tax also for the dead. Compare the law as it is with what it will be under the new instrument. The present law (Gen. Stat. Chap. 92, Art. 1, Sec. 9, Sub sec. 5) exempts from taxation "all public cemeteries except those owned by joint-stock companies or associations which declare a dividend." By this law no burial grounds are taxed except such as are organized for money-making purposes and actually declare dividends for its owners. This is right and just. The new constitution, however, takes apparently a different view of the subject. Section 176 exempts "places of burial not held for private or corporate profit." This change of phraseology must mean something, and to our comprehension it means that all the burial places in the State will be subjected to the same tax as other property. We venture to say there is not a cemetery in Kentucky not held for corporate profit, whose charter—which is the tenure by which it is held—does not contemplate and even encourage the making of a corporate profit. We do not mean to say that this profit is usually distributed among the stock-holders in the shape of a "dividend." On the contrary it is perhaps invariably devoted to the payment of small salaries and to the improvement and adornment of the grounds, thus enhancing the value of the corporate property. But where lands are permitted to be bought, even for burial purposes, by the acre and sold by the foot the enhanced price is certainly a "profit," no matter to what purposes it may be appropriated. The difference between the new law and the old is simply this—the old only taxes cemeteries which actually distributes these profits among the stock-holders in the shape of a dividend, while the new taxes all which are held for profit, regardless of what disposition is made of that profit. Thus the Stanford Cemetery is a chartered corporation with stockholders, a board of directors, &c. They are authorized to purchase land for burial purposes and to sell burial lots at any price they may choose to fix. They are at perfect liberty under their charter to do as they please with the proceeds of these sales, which represent a considerable profit, because they buy their lands at about \$75 per acre and sell at \$2 per foot. If they should divide these profits among the stockholders their property would be taxed under existing law and properly taxed, but if they apply them, as in point of fact they do, to enlarge and to beautify their grounds, they would not be taxed by the present law, but would under the new provided a profit of any kind or for any purpose to go to the polls and have it recorded for democracy and honest government.

Col. W. H. Polk, who is now associate editor of the Lexington Transcript, never loses an occasion to pelt his enemies at Middlesboro. He says of O. O. Hall, who ran the Herald into a hole with several thousands of other people's money: "He is the advertising agent of the Middlesboro Town Company, who from an ordinary Cincinnati reporter got into his present position and labors under the hallucination that he is little lower than the angels." This is a little more moderate than we expected of Polk. There are people who think that Hall thinks he is much higher and better than even the archangels.

NOTWITHSTANDING the republican convention at the dictation of Col. W. O. Bradley used the party lash to make the members of that party vote for the new constitution, a good many of the leaders and a large number of others who are not hoping for Federal office, will vote against the crazy quilt of statute laws. We know a dozen republicans in this country who do not propose to be dictated to in a matter which had no business in party platform.

The proper time to "sow" turnips is now agitating the mind of Farmer Logan, of the Louisville Times, since constitutional questions are barred. It is well that the old hayseed has so fruitful a subject to fall back on.

The Louisville Truth says that Logan Carlisle, a son of the senator, is now an editorial writer on the Courier-Journal, and promises to distinguish himself as much in journalism as his father has in politics.

NEWSY NOTES.

—During the great panic of 1857 in the United States 7,200 houses failed for \$500,000,000.

—Mrs. Searles, widow of Mark Hopkins, died at Methuen, Mass., Saturday, leaving \$40,000,000.

—Dr. Hazard, of Alleghany City, Pa., has organized a league for the extermination of the sparrow. Each member must kill fifty birds.

—Dr. J. L. Rose has been appointed medical pension examiner for Jellico, postoffice Williamsburg.

—George W. Higgins, of Pulaski, was fatally shot by Miss Minnie Reddy, who was handling a pistol, which he handed her to shoot at him.

—William Lloyd Garrison Camp, United Brothers of Friendship, of Louisville, captured the first prize in the competitive drill at Chicago.

—The supreme court of Virginia has decided that the law of the State which forbids the running of freight trains on Sunday is unconstitutional.

—John Brown, who killed John Gardner, at Jackson, Tenn., Saturday evening, was taken from the jail at midnight by a crowd of 500, and hanged.

—Ex-Mayor O'Conor of Paris has withdrawn from the legislative race in Bourbon, leaving E. M. Dickson, the democratic nominee, the sole candidate.

—A fire which broke out in J. B. Cowen & Co.'s whisky house, in which were stored 700 barrels of whisky, destroyed \$300,000 worth of property at Dallas, Texas.

—Six lives were lost in a collision between two passenger trains on the Denver & Rio Grande, near Carlisle Springs, Colo. The accident was the result of misunderstood orders.

—Joseph Fayle pointed what he thought was an unloaded shotgun at a crowd of picnickers near Wheeling, W. Va. Miss Sarah McGowan was killed, and two other persons were seriously injured.

KENTUCKIANS will next Monday have the first chance since the expiration of Reed's Billion Dollar Congress to express their condemnation of the high-handed, unscrupulous and profligate measures and means resorted to by it. The iniquitous McKinley bill whereby the tariff duties are increased many fold, especially on the necessities of life, in a time of profoundest peace and more than a quarter of a century after the close of war; the Force bill which was designed to throttle the voice of the Southern people by placing elections in the hands of partisan republicans with the power at the point of a bayonet to do their own registration, enumeration and certification; the utter disregard of precedent, whereby the will of the minority was ignored and its rights denied and the shameless waste of the public money are to be considered by every voter, who will by his ballot endorse or condemn the reckless course of the party in power. The result therefore of next Monday's election is of more moment than the mere selection of State officers, for it will tell to the country at large how the democracy of Kentucky feels toward the further usurpation of power that the republicans have attempted. Whether justly or not a reduction in the majority given our State ticket, will be accepted by the republican newspapermen and speakers as evidence of our lukewarmness and it will be heralded as a victory for the administration and its miserable coadjutors. This is of all others not the time for democrats to go off on side issues and we are sure none of them with the interest of the country at heart will do so. A vote for Brown and our admirable State and county ticket is a vote against Harrison, Reed, McKinley and the other conspirators against the power and rights of the people. Be sure to go to the polls and have it recorded for democracy and honest government.

—Twenty buildings burned at Newport News Sunday, causing a loss of \$20,000.

—William Told shot and fatally wounded Elijah Young at a picnic in Madison. Both were drunk.

—A mob hung a negro near Franklin because he drew a knife on a white man. He was the third person to swing for the same limb. His murderers ought to be made to drown it also.

—The jailer of Madison county was fined \$500 in the Wolfe circuit court for refusing to obey an order of said court for the delivery of a horse thief to the sheriff of Wolfe county.

—Campbell & Elliott's cotton and woolen mill was destroyed by fire in Philadelphia. The loss is from \$600,000 to \$750,000. Over 450 men, women and children are thrown out of work.

—The second section of an excursion train ran into the first at St. Mandé, near Paris, France. The week took fire, and the last reports say 40 people were killed and 100 severely injured.

—John Myford and Harry Boyd, two young Monongahela City miners, fought with bare knuckles according to prize-fighting rules. In the fourth round Boyd killed Myford with a blow on the neck.

—The Elizabethtown News says a man sold \$400 worth of plums from a tract of land he gave \$450 for this spring. There never was such a crop of fruit as this year lades the trees on Muldraugh's Hill.

—The boiler of a steam thresher exploded in James Durbin's farm, in Elizabethtown, Ky. John Durbin, William Basham and John Massey were instantly killed, and five others will die of their injuries.

—Deputy United States Marshal George Armstrong, en route to Louisville with a lot of moonshiners, was shot and instantly killed at Morehead by Constable Simms over the shooting of a hog by Armstrong.

—Harrison Sallee, aged about 76 years, died at his home in Monticello, Wednesday, after an extended illness. He leaves a widow and one grown son. He was a brother of the late M. P. Sallee, of this county.—Advocate.

—Hon. Jerry Simpson, speaking at Birmingham, Ala., declared that John Sherman, the father of our financial system, is the arch enemy of the human race, and that the alliance has determined to defeat him in Ohio.

—The coupling pin of an excursion train, broke near Dayton, O., leaving two coaches filled with happy people just in front of a heavy freight train, which struck them killing three outright and wounding scores of others.

—The total collections for internal revenue for the first six months of this year were \$146,035,375, an increase of \$1 million over the year before. Kentucky paid \$15,858,707, which is the third highest amount of any State.

—The Cape Cod, Mass., people welcomed Mr. Cleveland and wife to their summer home at Sandwich, Saturday, in royal style. The ex-president was given an ovation and banquet and to the toast "Our Neighbor," he responded in his usual happy manner.

—Charles M. Osburn, a wholesale commission merchant, was hanged at Atlanta, Friday, for killing a retail merchant who disputed his account to the amount of 5 cents. Strong efforts were made to save him both through the governor and the legislature.

—Dr. Smith, of New Haven, who smoked 50 cigarettes a day for 20 years, is dead, and so is O. L. Morse, Windham, Conn., at the age of 91, who stated in his will that he had drunk a pint of rum a day for 21 years. Did cigarettes and rum do the business for them?

—There are according to the school census 584,041 white and 111,123 colored children of the school age in Kentucky, an increase of 11,536 over 1890. The per capita, \$2.25, is the same for both white and colored children, and excepting the State of California, which pays her school expenses out of her sales of immense tracts of unoccupied lands, it is the largest school per capita in the Union from direct taxation, out of the State treasury.

—A negro tramp named Craig called at the residence of Nathan G. Conway, near Paris, Sunday, and asked for a drink of water. It was given to him, when, without apparent provocation he began a murderous assault on the family with an old scythe blade, killing Mr. and Mrs. Conway, both old people, and perhaps fatally injured Charles and William, two grown sons. Neighbors, who came to the rescue, shot the murderer to death while he was pursuing one of his victims.

MATRIMONIAL MATTERS.

—John Dean, 16, of Garrard, and Miss Eunice Blakeman, 15, of Jessamine, eloped to Tennessee and were married.

—Sam Owens and Miss Elizabeth Bailey were married at Mrs. Mary Bailey's yesterday. He is 22 and she sweet 16.

—Mr. D. T. Bone, a widower of 45, and Miss Bella Denham, just 18, were married yesterday at J. P. Denham's, in the East End.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

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PERSONAL POINTS.

MISS LIZZIE DAVISON is at Crab Orchard.

MISS SAUNDRA LILLARD is visiting in Barberville.

MISS LIZZIE MENEKE is visiting Miss Maggie Tucker.

MISS DOLLY McROBERTS is visiting friends in Madison.

J. V. CLIFTON, train dispatcher, went to Louisville Friday.

MISS ANNIE E. FREY, of Louisville, is visiting Mrs. C. B. St. Clair.

Mrs. P. W. GREEN is improving very much at Crab Orchard Springs.

MR. GAUTHIER, son of Col. Gauthier, of Harrodsburg, is visiting Mack Lytle.

MISS ROBINSON and son, Lester, of Attala, Ala., are visiting friends here.

MISS ANNIE WHALEY has been visiting Capt. Richards' family at Junction City.

MR. J. T. WALLER took Miss Flossie to Louisville Friday to spend a few weeks.

Mrs. POKE COURTS spent a day or two with Mrs. Alice Floyd and Miss Belle Cash.

MISS MATTIE THIMBLE and Mrs. Lizzie Ferrell are spending a week at Hale's Well.

MR. AND MRS. J. P. JONES and children and Mrs. Joe S. Jones are staying at Hale's Well.

Our Barberville correspondent, Mr. Lewis D. Sampson, passed down to Louisville Friday.

Mrs. ELIA LUKENBELL and Mrs. James Dillon, of Louisville, are guests of Miss Julia Higgins.

J. A. MUND has taken his wife and babies to her parents in Hardin county for a month or two.

Mrs. WILH. H. WHEMOTT, of Kansas City, has been visiting Mrs. Frank Harris and other friends.

Mrs. M. J. HERMAN, of Lexington, is at Green Briar Springs, while the judge is on a business trip East.

Mrs. S. E. LACKEY, Mrs. J. E. Portman, Miss Sue Ront and others attended Friday night's hop at Crab Orchard.

Messrs. J. S. OWSEY, Jr., and Joe Severance went up to Barberville Sunday to see some mighty pretty girls.

MISS ADELAIDE HODGES, of Winchester, and Dolly Williams, of Hustonville, are guests of Miss Lucy Tate.

Mrs. LILLIAN AND LIZZIE BOSLEY, of Springfield, and Annie Sudahut, of Winchester, are the guests of Miss Mattie Bosley.

Mrs. A. J. EYRE, mother and sister, Mrs. C. H. SUMMERS and Mrs. E. C. Vanvleck, went to Crab Orchard Springs yesterday.

Mrs. OSIE HUTCHINSON and Mrs. Bettie Embry, of Lancaster, were over Sunday to see Mrs. J. M. McRoberts, Jr., who is some better.

Mr. W. B. HALDEMAN, editor of the Weekly Courier-Journal, joined his handsome wife and children at Crab Orchard Saturday night.

Mrs. EUGENIA DUNLAP POTTS has charge of a Mammoth Cave excursion, which will leave Lexington Aug. 13. The net proceeds are to go to charity.

We regret to hear of the continued illness of our Lancaster reporter, Louis Landrum, Esq. His many friends hope for his speedy recover and a resumption of his entertaining letters.

AFTER an absence of several years, the familiar features of Capt. Dick Lawton are again seen on the passenger trains on this division. Everybody is glad to see the popular old fellow once more.

JUDGE J. W. ALCOON, who was rated by one of his distinguished admirers to be the "greatest lawyer that is, ever was, or ever will be," was in town Saturday on legal business.—Mt. Vernon Signal.

CAPT. A. J. GROSS, ex-U. S. marshal, and wife, arrived on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Feland, Friday. Mrs. Gross is still there but the captain has returned to his home in Breckinridge county.

MR. J. R. FARRIS, who was at Lexington Saturday, says that C. T. Sandidge was just back from the Eminence Fair, where he took five out of six premiums he entered for. Four were on his stock the other for being the best equestrian.

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The Reins Electric Clock Co.'s manufacture at Danville seems assured.

LOST.—On the Hustonville turnpike a silver bracelet with ten bangles, all silver. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at this office.

LOST.—Miss Annie Peake lost \$5 on the street between Jones' and Salinger's stores, Saturday, which the finder will please leave at this office.

CAR-LOAD fresh salt at J. B. Foster's. Your account is due and ready for you. Please call and settle. W. B. McRoberts.

A HEAVY rain fell Sunday morning and added largely to the prospects of a fine corn crop.

FRUIT Jars, Honey Jars, Tin Cans, Cigar and Glass, Fin Tops and Wire at A. A. Warren's Model Grocery.

THE Stanford Colored Hop Club will entertain at Nunnelley's Hall, July 31. Carr is president; J. W. Green secretary and J. J. Thompson treasurer.

INVITATIONS have been issued by Misses Annie and Mary Alcorn to a party to be given by them Wednesday evening, in honor of the Misses Wheatley, of America, and Miss de Jarnette, of Atlanta, Ga.

A MOONSHINER named William Loving and B. D. Wilson, wanted in Missouri for the robbery of a postoffice, were arrested in Laurel and taken to Louisville by Deputy U. S. Marshal Parker, Friday.

PASSING along the Crab Orchard pike fail to recognize the large residence of Hon. John Sonn Owsley since the transformation from a white to a red brick pencilized and painted. The improvement is very decided.

PORTER BONNER tells us that he shopped all day Saturday afternoons that George Benedict could take it up with a sulky ride. We do not know whether this is to prove Benedict's laziness or the shortness of the crop.

If you are in doubt about the way you should vote on the constitution, have your record against it. It is not a constitution, except in name, but a string of experimental statutes, which should not be placed in such imperishable form.

THE First National Bank here, which holds \$50,000 of the 4% per cent, bonds payable Sep. 1, will exchange them for the 2 per cents, and thus help Secretary Foster out of a hole, while doing no violence to their own interests.

HON. W. H. MILLER spoke at Liberty yesterday, and will speak to-day at Abbott's Store for the new constitution.

His other appointments for Casey are Neely's Gap, 28, at 7 p. m.; Mt. Olive, 29, at 1 o'clock; Bethel, 29, at 7; Phil., 30, at 1; Lees, 30, at 4, and at Bolton's Store, 31, at 11 a. m.

A MADISON man named Campbell, who was pretty well filled upon whisky, tried to take the excursion train while coming from the Richmond fair Saturday evening. He amused himself for a short while by shooting promiscuously about the car, but when Conductor Taylor saw what was going on he promptly stopped the business by ejecting Campbell from the train.

THE announcement of Gairard College appears in this issue and especial attention is directed to it. President J. C. Gordon has gathered a splendid faculty around him and added greatly to the well-earned reputation of the institution. Send to him for catalogue and further information.

BASE BALL.—The Nicholasville base ball team will play the INTERIOR JOURNAL on the ground here, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock. There are few better amateur clubs than the Nicholasvilles, but the I. J.'s will prove equal to the emergency we believe and get in a score or two. Don't fail to see the game.

MR. JOHN BRIGHT found an old book in his papers the other day, which was printed about 1800. In it's are used for s's, and there are other peculiarities of the typography of the long ago. Speaking of Stanford it says that it had in 1790 a good stone court-house and jail, 40 dwellings, and 43 white inhabitants for 20 slaves.

FRIDAY Marshal Newland arrested Sam Lee, alias Ball, alias Logan on suspicion that he was implicated in the robbery of a freight car at Livingston on the night of the 2nd of May when a lot of boots, shoes and other merchandise was stolen. He was lodged in jail, but on furnishing the officer some valuable information with reference to the robbery he was released.

AN excursion over the K. C. from Rowland to Cincinnati will be run August 6, leaving here at 6 a. m., and arriving at 10 o'clock. Returning leave Cincinnati at 12 midnight on the 7th. The occasion is the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ohio Colored Odd Fellows. The round-trip fare is only \$2. See Anderson Carr or Jesse J. Thompson for further particulars.

THE first act of Gillis Johnson, the keeper of the notorious dogberry at Gunn Spring, after being liberated from the Pineville jail on a bond for \$300, furnished by his kinsman, Andy Johnson, created additional regret that he had not suffered the fate of Rossini at the hands of the Middleboro mob. A brother of his was breaking rock in the chain gang at Pineville for some offense, when he took from the guards, who were afraid to resist, and struck to the mountains. A few more hangings seem to be necessary in that section and they ought not to be confined to itinerant stone cutters.

A GENTLEMAN who claims to be posted says that he has never seen the republicans so compactly organized as they are at present in this county and that unless the democratic leaders shall arouse themselves and get out the full party vote, some surprises are in store for election day. He says that this almost absolute mobilization of the republican forces may be entirely in behalf of the State ticket, but he is of the opinion that it is for the purpose of capturing at least one of the county offices. In other words there is likely to be a candidate for county judge in opposition to Judge Varnon. Forewarned is forearmed. Let those whose duty it is see that every democratic vote is polled and scotch this little game, if it is attempted to be played.

Don't forget that your account is past due. Please call and settle. J. B. Foster.

LEAVE your laundry with Severeance & Son. Albert Severeance, agent for Lexington Steam Laundry.

A young man of this place is said to have skipped, taking with him a blooming young girl, about whom he and his wife quarreled Saturday night.

The majority for the democratic State ticket should be fully 50,000, and Lincoln ought to contribute 2,000 votes to that end. Let every democrat be at the polls next Monday.

The public school in Stanford white district will begin August 24. Misses Cettie Thurmond and Alice Stuart teachers. All children in the school age in said district are requested to attend. J. M. McRoberts, Jr., chairman.

Mrs. E. W. JONES of Pineville, is making a specialty of blue grass farms in his real estate agency. He sold the Peyton farm yesterday, and on the 4th of August we will be down with quite a number of rich mountaineers who want to locate in this section.

The third or people's party movement, has we are glad to say, no followers in Lincoln county. A majority of our farmers are satisfied that their only hope of relief can come from the good old democratic party, and they are not disposed to try experiments.

This office is putting in a new engine made by the James Leffel Co., Springfield, O., an improvement on the one of their make that we have been using over 10 years. We speak from experience when we say that The Leffel is the simplest and cheapest engine on the market.

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John J. McRoberts, Cashier

A. A. McKinney, Assistant Cashier

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European Alliances.

"Europe is peace," says the emperor of Germany to his subjects. And he then drinks bumper after bumper of German beer and remarks that it is a thirsty day. "Peace is assured in Europe," says Premier Rudini in a speech to the Italian senate. Then Rudini congratulates his fellow countrymen that Austria, Germany and Italy have renewed the triple alliance, the "Dreibund," for six years more. Nay, we are given to understand that the triple alliance is really a quadruple alliance, for England is a silent partner in the agreement which Austria, Germany and Italy have made to defend one another against the aggressions of France and Russia.

The triple alliance began in 1879. In the beginning it was only a double alliance, and Bismarck was the founder of it. Bismarck, by his diplomacy at the Berlin conference, defeated Russia in her designs on Turkish territory, even after she had entreated herself to a fair share of it by hard fighting and victory on the field of battle. Then Bismarck, fearing the far reaching revenge of the Russian, persuaded Austria to enter into an alliance, offensive and defensive, against the government of the czar. Next Italy was persuaded by promises and threats to enter into the alliance, and it became consequently the Dreibund. Thus diplomacy and statesmanship, so called, forced the people of Italy to stand side by side in alliance with their old time and bitterly hated enemy, the Austrian. They have never forgiven their rulers for that alliance to this day, and will not in our time. Germany felt uneasy as to France, too, so France was watched on one side and Russia on the other.

But what does it mean, this triple alliance, which began in 1879, lasted six years, came to an end and has been renewed for another six years? Let us see. It means that Germany, Austria and Italy must together maintain an armed force of 5,140,000, that being the strength of the combined standing armies of the three powers. Behold these three, then, on one side of the fence. On the other side stand Russia and France with their combined armies of 5,805,000 men. So they stand, snarling and showing their teeth, like dogs ready to fly at one another's throats, hating one another, jealous of one another, watching one another. Meantime Russia is steadily, silently, like a thief in the night, pushing her way resistlessly into the south and east in Asia. Meantime, too, these fearful standing armies are slowly eating out the heart of Europe, paralyzing her industries, destroying all fruits of the civilization of peace. But Europe is peace, they say.

Oh, yes; Europe is peace.

Journalistic Boiling Down.

As a fine specimen of the ability of a good newspaper writer to "boil down" four columns of matter may be cited the following summary from The Christian Union of Pope Leo's encyclical. The editor of The Christian Union remarks that in this encyclical the holy father has brought the Church of Rome into line with industrial reform. Here is its summary, with its own comment at the close:

THE POPE SAYS:

That there is a labor problem.

That workmen are suffering under gross injustice.

That it is the duty of the church to concern itself with these facts.

That wealth is a trust and must be administered as a trust.

That hours of labor should be such as to give time for soul culture.

That wages should be such as to give opportunity for acquisition of property.

That, if these results cannot be secured by free contract, the law should interfere.

That labor arbitration should take the place of labor battles.

That labor organizations should be encouraged.

That woman labor and child labor should be regulated and reduced by legislation.

That the factory acts are right in principle.

That the church, the state, free labor organization and capitalists should all co-operate in labor reform.

These are all Christian Union positions. We did not expect ten years ago to see them advocated from the pulpit by the pope.

The world moves.

SUN SPOTS AND THE WEATHER.

The French astronomer Camille Flammarion throws decided cold water on the theory that there is any proved connection between the periodical changes in the sun's spots and storms on our little bit of a planet. If there be such a connection, as there probably is, it is not yet sufficiently understood to predicate anything certain about it. There is, however, a terrestrial magnetic variation that is connected in some way with sun spots.

What is definitely known about sun spots is briefly this, according to M. Flammarion: Every eleven years the spots attain their largest size. In those years the greatest magnetic variation is observable on the earth and the greatest daily variation in temperature.

It is thus plain that enormous activity in the solar spots does have a magnetic effect on our earth. But we do not know as yet, says Flammarion, just where the spots themselves are located. They may be in the fiery fog known as the photosphere, which surrounds the sun, or they may be upon the surface of the sun itself.

If it were true that we have more storms in heavy sun spot years than in others, and the storms are proportional to the spots, then we ought to have had twenty times as many storms in 1888 as in 1879, and no storms at all in 1878. But in 1878 the storms were very severe

—Miss Asenath Philpott, of Gainesville, Texas, whose head was shaved for brain fever in 1884, now has hair 10 feet seven inches long.

A FEW FASHION NOTES.

Sealskin coats will be worn next winter in fashionable men's society.

Eight ounce gloves are still in vogue among artists. Undressed kids are often seen in the poorer quarters.

The summer girl will be much worn in August and September.

The summer young man will wear mittens in the fall.

It is deemed good taste for a young man to shoot his berrette sweetheart with a blue barrel pistol. Blue is for blonds.

—Detroit Free Press.

MAKING BLITZ LESS OF A BURDEN.



"Wall, 'peaks like I havn't seen you in my wildest dreams without me here,' says the boy. 'I'm in his han's. Should think it'd brake you up b'fore I brooks.'

"Do you know, I think it makes him lighter & kerry. He's a powful heavy chile anyhow," — Harper's Bazaar.

—Detroit Free Press.

One Problem Solved.

The professor of natural science at Ann Arbor was discussing the process of fertilizing plants by means of insects carrying the pollen from one plant to another, and to amuse them told how the old maids were the ultimate cause of it all. The humble bees carry the pollen; the field mice eat the humble bees; therefore the more field mice the less pollen and variation of plants. But ants devour the field mice and old maids protect ants. Therefore the more old maids the more ants, the fewer field mice the more bees. Hence old maids are the cause of variety in plants.

Thereupon, a sophomore with a single eye-glass, an English umbrella, a box coat, with his "trousers" rolled up at the bottom, arose and asked:

"I say, professor, what is the cause—of old maids don't you know?"

"Perhaps Miss Jones can tell you," suggested the professor.

"Dudes!" said Miss Jones sharply, and without a moment's hesitation.

There was silence in the room for the space of thirty seconds, after which the lecture was resumed. —Detroit Free Press.

Set it for Hugging.

At the siege of Petersberg a young lieutenant, who was very good looking and a great favorite with the girls at home, was badly wounded in the left arm. Several of the surgeons declared it was necessary to amputate the limb; but finally one of them decided that by removing a section of the bone the arm could be saved. "But," said he, "it will be a bad job, and when healed the arm will be crooked."

The young lieutenant, thinking that any kind of an arm was better than no arm, and with a thought for future conquests, replied:

"Never mind the crook; set it for hugging and go ahead!" —Texas Siftings.

Saved.

Dashaway (shaking hands with Miss Summit at the ball)—Do you know, I have a singular feeling, as if I had come away and forgotten something.

Miss Summit (coldly)—Possibly you are not aware, sir, that you have no necktie.

Dashaway—Oh, is that it? Then, Miss Summit, there is nothing for you to do but to introduce me to your guests as a rising young poet. —Brooklyn Life.

A Revised Opinion.

"I was pleased to call at cake of yours a perfect symphony, as you may remember," said young Mr. Fitts about two hours after dinner.

"Well, dear!"

"I want to revise that expression. I feel now as though I had swallowed a whole Wagnerian opera!" —Indianapolis Journal.

Why She Wept.

One of the prettiest maid-servants was softly crying during the ceremony, and her escort, nudge her, whispered:

"What are you crying for? It isn't your wedding."